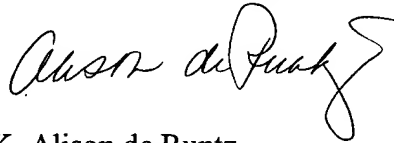


**Remarks**

Upon review of the Amendment of June 12, 2003 and the *Ex Parte Quayle* Amendment that was submitted on September 24, 2003, it was discovered that an error was made in the respective listings of the Claims. That is, Claim 8 was shown as "Previously amended," and as "Previously presented," respectively, although through inadvertent error, Claim 8 was not shown in its actual form. In the listing of Claims set forth above, Claim 8 is shown in its actual form, as it was previously presented in the Amendment of January 31, 2003.

The Examiner has indicated that remaining Claims 8-26 are considered allowable. Upon entry of this preliminary submission, reconsideration of the application in view of the Request for Continued Examination is requested.

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